

NO. 1 MICHIGAN TAKES ON NO. 2 PENN STATE
 IN DUAL-MEET ACTION;
 OSU'S BUCHER PICKS UP WEEKLY ACCOLADES

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BIG TEN GYMNAST OF THE WEEK

DJ Bucher, Ohio State
 Jr., Mason, Ohio

Bucher claims his first Gymnast of the Week accolade after capturing event titles on the pommel horse, rings and parallel bars, while leading Ohio State to a win over Illinois last weekend. The junior tumbler tallied a mark of 9.000 on the pommel horse. He also registered top scores on the rings (9.650) and parallel bars (9.700). The last time Bucher claimed three titles in one meet was at the 2005 NCAA Championships where he garnered All-America accolades on the same three events as a freshman.

THIS WEEK IN THE BIG TEN

February

- 3 No. 1 MICHIGAN at No. 2 PENN STATE 6 p.m.
 No. 10 Temple at No. 4 OHIO STATE 6 p.m.
 4 No. 7 MINNESOTA at No. 8 IOWA 2 p.m.

2007 BIG TEN GYMNASTS OF THE WEEK

Jan. 18 Wes Haagensen, Jr., ILL
 Jan. 24 Matt Cohen, Sr., PSU
 Jan. 31 DJ Bucher, Jr., OSU

GYMINFO RANKINGS - JAN. 29

TEAM	AVG. SCORE
1. MICHIGAN	217.383
2. PENN STATE	213.042
3. Oklahoma	212.850
4. OHIO STATE	212.100
5. ILLINOIS	208.517
6. Stanford	207.375
7. MINNESOTA	205.317
8. IOWA	202.250
9. California	201.750
10. Temple	199.050
11. Nebraska	198.633
12. Army	197.900
13. Illinois-Chicago	191.275
14. Navy	190.600
15. William & Mary	187.883
16. Springfield	185.900
17. Air Force	178.125
18. MIT	174.100
19. Texas	165.100
20. James Madison	158.733

2007 BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIP

The 2007 Big Ten Men's Gymnastics Championships will be held on the campus of the University of Minnesota on March 30-31.



Last year, Ohio State claimed its second consecutive Big Ten Men's Gymnastics title and its 11th in school history. Five different teams held leads throughout the night, but it was the Buckeyes who found themselves in first place with a score of 215.625 when it mattered. Illinois finished in second with a score of 214.800, while Iowa (213.750) and Michigan (210.775) followed in third and fourth place, respectively. Penn State (210.250) finished in fifth place and Minnesota posted a sixth-place finish with a score of 205.400.

Be sure to check out the Big Ten website for updated information.

LAST WEEK IN THE BIG TEN

January

- 26 West Point Open [2]
 No. 2 PENN STATE (214.700), Team Gattaca (205.500), No. 9 Temple (199.500), No. 10 Army (197.750), No. 14 Navy (190.250), No. 16 Springfield (185.050), MIT (174.100), No. 18 James Madison (162.150)
 27 No. 4 OHIO STATE
 def. No. 5 ILLINOIS, 214.7-211.05
 No. 8 IOWA
 def. No. 12 Illinois-Chicago, 200.35-186.400
 No. 1 MICHIGAN
 def. No. 3 Oklahoma, 221.600-218.000
 No. 6 MINNESOTA def.
 No. 15 William & Mary [3], 203.150-189.650

[2] - at West Point, N.Y.

[3] - St. Paul, Minn.

BIG TEN TIDBITS

Big Ten Success: For five straight season, the Big Ten has sent six teams to the national championships. The last time the Big Ten accomplished this feat was in 1960, a year that marked the conclusion of seven straight years with six or more teams advancing to the NCAA Championships. That string of success included four national titles with Illinois claiming solo crowns in 1955 and 1956 and the Fighting Illini splitting the national title with conference-foe Michigan State in 1958.